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ADDENDUM NO. ONE

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RFP No. 16-0613 / Mosquito Control Spraying System with Pump and Monitor

It is the vendor's responsibility to ensure their receipt of all addenda, and to clearly acknowledge all addenda within their initial proposal response. Acknowledgement may be confirmed either by inclusion of a signed copy of this addendum with the initial proposal response, or by completion and return of the addendum acknowledgement section of the solicitation. Failure to acknowledge each addendum may prevent the proposal from being considered for award.

This addendum **does not** change the date for receipt of proposals.

Questions regarding this solicitation are due January 3, 2016. The purpose of this addendum is to address questions received to date.

Question 1: Your bids states "Must be an Adapco Guardian 95ES with pump and 4S monitor" but then it says "or an equivalent product". Either it is that product or it is an equivalent.

Answer 1: Section 1.1 of the ITB states, "The proposed system must be an Adapco Guardian 95ES with pump and 4S monitor, or an equivalent product that fully meets the requirements and specifications stated herein." So long as the proposed alternate system fully meets the requirements and specifications it will be considered. Section 1.19 of the ITB also discusses the consideration of an equal product.

Question 2: You are asking to provide a price for software (GeoTracker) that is specific to one company. This is not something that anyone can bid on since it is proprietary to that company. Consider software that is equivalent.

Answer 2: The ITB states in two places, "Vendor shall also provide an annual subscription price for Geotracker software" – in the second paragraph under Section 1.1, "Purpose", and in the first paragraph in Section 2, "Statement of Work." This requirement is hereby revised to read:

"Vendor shall also provide an annual subscription price for Geotracker software, or equivalent software. Equivalency shall be solely determined by the County. Vendors proposing an alternate brand of software shall state the brand being proposed in their list of exceptions, which is to be included in Section D of the proposal, as stated in Section 1.14, "Submittal Requirements," Section D, number 3, on page 10."

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Question 3: In the bid documents it states that the system must have military grade connectors like used in tanks or aircraft. My questions is does it need to have some or do all connectors need to be military grade?

Answer 3: All external connectors shall be military grade or the equivalent. Equivalency shall be determined solely by the County.

Question 4: If cables need to have military grade connectors do they have military grade cable between the connectors? What is the point of having military grade connectors and then having PVC cable which is not allowed in aircraft because it is not flame retardant or designed for harsh environment?

Answer 4: The cable does not have to be military grade, but should be of high grade. Military grade connectors are required to eliminate problems the Department has experienced in the past. These spray units will not be mounted in aircraft. Vendor shall be mounting them onto currently owned road vehicles.

Question 5: You are calling for a specific engine model for your fogger "Honda GX270". This is too specific to one type of fogger. Here again please consider an equivalent.

Answer 5: On page 15 under "Specifications/Requirements for Mosquito Control Equipment," for the ULV Cold Aerosol Generators, the ITB states, "Honda GX270 horizontal shaft engine, 9hp, electric start." This requirement is hereby revised to:

"Honda GX270 horizontal shaft engine, 9hp, electric start, or equal. Equivalency shall be solely determined by the County. Vendors proposing an alternate engine shall state the brand in their list of exceptions, which is to be included in Section D of the proposal, as stated in Section 1.14, "Submittal Requirements," Section D, number 3, on page 10."

Question 6: This bid is written around a specific company's equipment which makes it unfair to tax payers which can get equivalent or similar equipment for a much cheaper price.

Answer 6: The County will consider any brand equipment if it is equivalent to what is requested in the RFP with regard to performance, ease of operation, programmability, etc. Until proposals are received and evaluated, the County has no way of knowing which firm will propose the best value to the County. The RFP specifications and requirements were written based on the County's experience with previous spraying equipment and performance issues. The intent is to obtain a system that is easily operated and adaptable as needed when conditions or routes change on a day to day basis.

Acknowledged receipt of this Addendum:

Firm Name: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____ Title: _____

Typed/Printed Name: _____